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How a group of neighbors created their own Internet service

Powered by radios in trees, homegrown network serves 50 houses on Orcas Island.

Ars Technica

Feds have plan in case we are hit with catastrophic solar flares

The White House bases contingency plan on the Carrington Event.

Digital Journal

DSTAR Parachute Mobile QSOs prove popular in Japan

Mark Meltzer, age 66, had an optimistic longshot QSO sked with hams in Japan hoping to work them on 28.425 KHz with a 5 watt SSB signal.

Southgate

QSO with W0RW from Knox Mountain

Every day is a surprise.

amateurradio.com

FCC, Justice Department investigate covert Chinese radio network

The Federal Communications Commission and the Justice Department are investigating a California firm whose U.S. radio broadcasts are backed by a subsidiary of the Chinese government.

Reuters

Secret radio stations by the numbers

There are actually several types of number stations, but the prototypical one is simply someone on the air reading lists of numbers.

Hack a Day

How good is the FT817's MH-31 stock standard microphone?

Others reported improved results by substituting an electret insert. It seemed too simple not to try. VK3YE

How to

SDR reception of Digital Amateur TV from the ISS

How to receive DVB-S digital video transmissions from the International Space Station with a bit of hardware and a lot of software.

pabr.org

Video

W1AW/6 Pacificon Special Event Station - All on one antenna

This video explains how they ran multiple stations using a single antenna. Watch and see how Rick engineered the radio system.

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Why You Need Circulators in Repeaters

A discussion of circulators and a teardown of a 915 MHz circulator.

The Life of Kenneth

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